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To better understand the role and use of information technology in schools, the U.S. Department of Education has contracted with SRI International, The Urban Institute, and the American Institutes for Research to conduct linked studies on the availability and uses of educational technology among states, school districts, schools, and teachers across the country. Collectively, these research and evaluation efforts are referred to as the *Integrated Studies of Educational Technology*, and will comprise one of the largest and most comprehensive national studies on the role of technology in American elementary and secondary schools to date.

This survey of schools is designed to capture detailed information about the nature and adequacy of educational technology in the Nation's public schools. While you are not required to respond, your cooperation is needed to make the results of this survey of educational technology comprehensive, accurate, and timely. Thank you for your participation in this important study.

DEFINITIONS

- **Educational Technology** A variety of technologies used to support instruction such as: computers, (laptops, desktops, etc.) telecommunications, (Internet, Local networks, etc.) digital cameras, peripheral devices, (printer, scanner, etc.) graphing calculators, and software.
- **Distance learning** Refers to the transmission of information from one geographic location to another via various modes of telecommunications technology.
- **E-mail** (Electronic mail) Refers to text messages transmitted across networks and usually accessible only by the addressee.
- **Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)** this is a measure of your staff capacity that is calculated by adding the number of full-time staff to the sum of the "fractional" part-time staff. For example, a 50% staff person, and two 25% person staff equal one (1) full-time equivalent (0.5 + 0.25 + 0.25 = 1.0).
- **Multimedia** Refers to the use of a computer to produce any combination of text, full color images and graphics, video, animation, and sound.
- **Instructional rooms** refers to rooms in the school building used for any instructional purposes (includes classrooms, labs, library/media centers, art rooms, rooms used for vocational or special education, etc.).

Types of Internet Connections:

- Cable modem provides greater bandwidth from Internet Service Providers that enables faster data transfer than is
 possible using a 33.6 kbps modem, 56 kbps modem, or 128 kbps ISDN connection. Cable networks are supplied by
 cable companies and generally use fiber-optic cabling to form connections, although some cable companies may
 rely on co-axial cabling.
- DS1 refers to a digital transmission speed of 1.544Mega (million) bits per second.
- DS3 refers to a digital transmission speed of 45 Mega (million) bits per second.
- **Dial-up connection** customer is only connected to the Internet when his/her modem dials the Internet Service Provider's telephone number to establish the connection.
- **56Kb** a digital transmission speed of 56 Kilo (thousand) bits per second.
- **Fractionalized T1** T1 line that is split to allow for data communication and voice communication (as opposed to a T1 line used for data communication only).
- Fractionalized T3 T3 line that is split to allow for data communication and voice communication (as opposed to a T3 line used for data communication only).
- ISDN (Integrated Services Digital Network) phone line that moves data digitally and integrates voice and data.
- T1 refers to a digital transmission speed of 1.536Mega (million) bits per second.
- T3 refers to a digital transmission speed of 45Mega (million) bits per second.

Section I. School Background Information

a. School National Center for Educational Statistics (NCES) number:		
b. School name:		
2. Your E-Mail address:		
3. What type of school is this?		
 REGULAR elementary or secondary school CHARTER school Elementary or secondary school with a MAGNET or SPECIAL EMPHASIS — e.g., science/malanguage, talented/gifted, etc. Please identify the type of school. SPECIAL EDUCATION — primarily serves students with disabilities. VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL — primarily provides technical training. ALTERNATIVE (not a charter) — offers a curriculum designed to provide alternative or nontraspecifically fall into the categories of regular, special education, or vocational school. Please identify the special focus of this school. 		
If you answered "Charter school," do not complete this questionnaire. Please return the questionnaire in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope. If you answer "regular," "magnet," "special education," "vocational/technical" or "alternative" school please proceed to Question 4.	ered	
What was the total number of full-time equivalent (FTE) teachers (excluding classroom aides) in your school during the 1999-2000 school year?		FTE
5. What was the total number of full-time equivalent (FTE) librarians/media specialists in your school during the 1999-2000 school year?		FTE
6. What was the total enrollment of your school for the 1999-2000 school year?		students

7. What was the total students in your school with the following characteristics during the 1999-2000 school year? (Complete each item below)

	1999-2000 School Year
Number of students considered Limited English Proficient (LEP)	
Number of students with disabilities	
Number of students qualifying for free lunch	
Number of students qualifying for reduced-price lunch	
Number of students who are:	
American Indian or Alaskan Native (i.e., a person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America, including Central America, and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment)	
Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Other Pacific Islander (i.e., a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands Thailand, and Vietnam or a person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands)	
Black or African American, not Hispanic (i.e., a person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa, including Haitian)	
Hispanic (i.e., a person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race)	
White, not Hispanic (i.e., a person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East or North Africa)	

Section II. Educational Technology Planning

Does your school have a written plan for the acquisition and use of educational techn	ınoloav? (C	Check one
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- Yes, we have developed a school-specific technology plan
- Yes, we used a plan developed at the district or state level
- Yes, we have adapted or modified a plan developed at the district or state level
- O No, we don't have a written plan (Go to Q. 11)

9. Was your school's technology plan developed... (Check one)

- As part of a broader school improvement plan
- Only to guide the acquisition and use of educational technology

10. To what extent did the following individuals or organizations contribute to the development of your school's educational technology plan? (Answer each item below)

We were guided by contributions from	NOT APPLICABLE OR DON'T KNOW	NOT AT ALL	SOMEWHAT	A GREAT DEAL
the Regional Technology in Education Consortium (R*TEC) or a federally- funded regional education laboratory	•	O	O	O
the US Department of Education website	0	0	O	0
a State education agency or other State organization	0	•	•	•
an institution of higher education	0	•	0	•
district or intermediate education unit	0	•	•	•
school administrators (e.g., principal, assistant principal, site management team)	0	0	O	O
teachers within the district (with or without educational technology responsibilities)	•	O	•	O
librarians/media specialists	0	0	0	0
a professional organization (e.g., American Federation of Teachers, National Education Association, American Association of School Administrators, National School Board Association)	•	O	O	•
parents as individuals, or a formal parents association (e.g., PTA, PTO)	0	0	0	0
students from within the district	0	•	0	0
business, industry or public contributors/partners (including technology equipment and/or service vendors)	0	O	•	O
local public library(libraries)	•	•	•	•
an outside consultant (individual or firm) employed by the district	0	0	0	0
Other, please specify:	•	•	•	•

11. What are the major goals for the use of educational technology resources in your school? (Answer each item below)

My school's educational technology goals include:	YES	NO
Providing professional development for teachers on the use of educational technology (e.g., improve teacher technical skills)	O	•
Providing professional development for teachers on using technology to improve academic instruction	O	O
Using technology as a way to deliver professional development for teachers (e.g., provide access to distance learning opportunities)	0	•
Providing technical support for teachers (e.g., provide support personnel with expertise in computer, video, or network technologies)	•	•
Increasing the availability of modern computers in the classroom (e.g., providing enough computers to achieve a specific computer-to-student ratio)	O	0
Increasing connectivity to the Internet	O	O
Making software and online resources an integral part of our school curriculum (e.g., making available a large variety of drills, games and tutorial software for the full range of subjects taught)	O	O
Improving students' educational technology proficiency	O	0
Improving students' academic achievement	O	O
Supporting parental involvement (e.g., improve communication with parents)	O	O
Improving administrative efficiency (e.g., better record keeping and monitoring systems)	O	O
Other. Please specify:	O	O

12.	Does	your school	collect inform	ation to trac	k progress	toward med	eting your	educational	technology (goals?

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O No (Go to Q. 15)

13.	What types of information are collected to track progress toward meeting your educational technology
	goals? (Answer each item below)

	YES	NO
Basic information about computer facilities and capacity (e.g., the ratio of students to computers, speed of Internet connection)	O	O
Number of teachers requesting educational technology resources	O	O
Number of teachers who have participated in educational technology-related professional development	•	•
Professional development needs of teachers and other school staff	O	O
Teachers' computer literacy/skills	O	•
Students' computer literacy/skills	•	•
Amount of time students spend using computers	•	O
Amount of time students spend using the Internet	O	O
Other. Please specify:	O	O

14.	To what extent is information from this reporting incorporated into your school's planning for educational
	technology? (Check one)

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Section III. Resources for Educational Technology

15.	Did your school receive hardware, software, or funding for educational technology from any source other
	than the federal government, your state department of education, or your school district during the 1999-
	2000 school year?

0	Yes

YesNo (Go to Q. 17)

16. Who provided the educational technology support? What did they provide? (Check <u>all that apply</u> for each item below)

	None	Computers, peripheral devices, or software	Within-school wiring/ cabling or Internet connections	Technical support or training	Educational technology planning	Other
Businesses	O	0	O	•	0	O)
Government agencies (excluding the federal government, state department of education, and your school district)	•	O	0	O	O	•
Non-profit agencies	O	•	O	O	•	O
Institutions of higher education (students and/or staff)	O	0	0	0	0	O
Parents	O	0	0	O	O	0
Other individual members of the community	O	0	0	O	0	0
School administrators	O	•	•	O	0	•
Teachers	O	O	•	O	O	0
Other school staff	O	O	•	O	O	•
Students		0	•	O	0	0
Other. Please specify:	O	0	•	•	0	0
16a. If you checked "Other," please indic source for the support. Source?		educational s at was provid		d and the	←	

17. Has your school applied for E-Rate subsidies in any year?	
Yes (Go to Q.20)No	If you answered "Yes" to question 17, please complete the E-Rate survey module.

- 18. Do you know why your school has never applied for E-Rate subsidies?
 - O Yes
 - **O** No (Go to Q.20)

19. How much of a role did the following factors play in why your school has <u>never</u> applied for E-Rate funding? (Answer each item below)

	NONE	SOMEWHAT	A GREAT DEAL	DON'T KNOW
Our state or district obtained E-rate funds for us.	•	O	•	•
We did not know we were eligible.	0	O	0	0
We could not obtain the funds necessary to pay our school's share of the cost of E-Rate equipment and services	O	O	O	O
Existing telecommunications equipment and services are sufficient.	0	0	0	0
Lack of personnel with the expertise or experience to deal with the application process	O	O	O	O
Lack of personnel with the expertise or experience to acquire and install the eligible telecommunications equipment and services	O	O	0	0
Lack of financial resources needed to pay for the remaining cost of telecommunications equipment and services	O	0	O	O
Lack of an approved educational technology plan	0	0	0	0
State or district procurement procedures make it difficult to comply with the E-Rate requirements	O	O	•	•
The application process was too difficult	0	O	0	0
Other. Please specify:	O	O	•	•

Section IV. Equipment Availability and Use

20. How many total computers, by type and location, were available to teachers or other school staff to use during class time as of June 30, 2000? If you are not sure, just make your best estimate. Please fill in all items except where there is an X. If there are no computers of a certain type in a particular location, put a 0 in for that item.

		NUMBER AVAILABLE IN						
TYPE OF COMPUTER (including laptops)	Instructional Classrooms		Computer Labs		Library or Media Centers		Administrative Offices	
	Number Computers	Number Connected to the Internet	Number Computers	Number Connected to the Internet	Number Computers	Number Connected to the Internet	Number Computers	Number Connected to the Internet
Power Mac								
Other Apple/Macintosh								
Pentium with multimedia capabilities (e.g., sound card)								
Other PC (All Others)								
Graphing Calculators		XXXX		XXXX		XXXX		XXXX
Hand-held computer (e.g., Palm Pilot)								

21.	their in	your school have a "laptop" program in which students have scheindividual use while they are in school as well as for use at home (nines such as "Dream Writer" and "Alpha Smarts")?		
	<u>o</u>	Yes No (Go to Q. 23)		
22.	Approx	oximately what percent of your students are participating in this la	iptop program?	

23. How is the <u>acquisition</u> of educational technology resources determined within your school? (Answer each item below)

	YES	NO
Acquisitions are determined by our technology plan	O	O
Teachers and/or librarians/media specialists request needed equipment and software	O	O
School technology coordinator makes decisions	O	O
A school educational technology committee decides what we need	O	O
The principal specifies school needs	O	O
Department heads request resources for their department	O	O
The district determines what we need	O	O
Other. Please specify:	O	O

24. How are educational technology resources $\underline{allocated}$ to different teachers or classrooms within your school? (Answer each item below)

	YES	NO
Treat all the same	O	O
Based on grade level	O	O
Based on subject area	•	•
Based on teacher educational technology skills	O	O
Based on student academic ability	O	O
Teachers who are interested and use computers receive increased resources	O	O
Other. Please specify:	O	O

25. To what extent are the following educational technology resources available to teachers in your school for instructional use? (Answer each item below)

	NOT AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE IN A FEW CLASSROOMS	AVAILABLE IN MOST OR ALL CLASSROOMS
Computers			
Laptop computers	0	0	0
Hand-held computers (e.g., PDAs)	•	O	O
Peripherals			
Printers	O	O	O
CD-ROM drive	0	O	O
CD-ROM read/write drive	•	O	O
Probes for collecting scientific data (e.g., temperature)	0	O	O
Microphones to use with computers	•	O	O
External computer speakers	O	O	O
DVD drive	0	O	O
Scanner	O	O	O
Jazz, Zip, or similar drive	•	O	O
Digital still camera	O	O	O
Digital video camera	•	O	O
Computer projector	O	0	O
Connectivity			
Internet access from school	O	O	O
Access to the school's computer network from home	0	O	O
Other Technology			
Telephones in classrooms	•	O	0
Voicemail for teachers	O	0	O
E-mail account for teachers	O	O	O
TV or VCR	O	O	O
Graphing calculators	•	O	O
Other. Please specify:	0	O	O

26. To what extent, if any, are each of the following a barrier to your school's ability to effectively use educational technology? (Answer each item below)

	NOT A Barrier	SMALL Barrier	MODERATE BARRIER	GREAT BARRIER
Hardware Resources				
Insufficient number of computers	O	O	0	O
Insufficient number of peripheral devices	O	O	•	O
Insufficient number of other technology hardware (e.g., graphing calculators, TVs)	O	0	O	•
Internet Resource Quality				
Internet connection isn't fast or reliable enough for use during instruction	O	0	O	•
A lack of age-appropriate or educationally-relevant websites for students	O	O	O	O
Software Resources				
A lack of age-appropriate or educationally-relevant software resources	O	•	O	O
A lack of software products aligned with state standards	0	0	O	0
Staff Resources				
Lack of trained technical staff available for:	0	0	O	0
product and service acquisition	•	0	O	0
installation	0	0	O	0
equipment maintenance	•	O	•	0
Lack of administrative support	0	O	•	0
Lack of adequately trained teachers or other instructional staff	•	O	•	O
Lack of training opportunities for school staff	O	O	0	0
Infrastructure				
Inadequate school building	0	0	O	0
space	•	•	O	0
electric power supply and/or wiring	0	0	O	0
HVAC (heating, ventilation, air conditioning)	•	0	O	0
security	0	O	O	0
Other. Please specify:	O	O	0	O

27. To what extent have your school's educational technology resources been used outside the regular school day? (Answer each item below)

	NOT APPLICABLE	A LITTLE	A MODERATE AMOUNT	A GREAT DEAL
Parents and teachers communicate via email	0	0	0	O
Students access technology equipment as part of:				
Before- or after-school programs	0	0	•	O
Weekend instruction or programs	0	0	•	O
Summer school programs	0	0	•	O
Community members access technology equipment in the school outside of regular school hours	O	0	0	O
Adult education students access technology equipment in the school outside of regular school hours	0	•	0	O
Students use school-provided technology equipment at their homes	0	0	0	O

28.	Does your school loan computers to students so that they can use the computers to study and do
	assignments at home?

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YES

O No (Go to Q. 31)

29. Does your school loan desktops, laptops or both desktops and laptops? (Check one)

- O Desktops
- O Laptops
- O Both desktops and laptops

30. About what percentage of your students take advantage of this opportunity? (Check one)

- 5% or less
- **O** 6-10%
- **O** 11-20%
- **O** Over 20%
- 31. Does your school have a <u>written</u> policy regarding appropriate use or computers and the Internet by teachers or students? (Answer each item below)

	YES	NO
For teachers	O	O
For students	O	O

32. What types of policies and/or procedures does your school us the Internet <u>BY STUDENTS</u> ? (Answer each item below)	se to ensu	re approp	oriate use o	of comp	uters ar
				YES	NO
Students must sign a "contract" agreeing to use computers for appropriate	e purposes			O	O
Teachers and librarians/media specialists use classroom management te instruct students on appropriate use	chniques to	monitor us	e and	O	0
Teachers and librarians/media specialists receive professional developm Internet in their classrooms	ent on the a	ppropriate	use of the	O	•
Filters (i.e., a mechanism to limit Internet access to certain forms of inform	nation) are	installed on	computers	O	O
Other. Please specify:				O	O
34. Who controls the filter, especially decisions about what conte one)	nt or whic	h website	s are bloc	ked? (CI	neck
 District-level staff School principal Classroom teacher School educational technology coordinator/teacher School librarian/media specialist Other. Please specify: 					
Section V. Connectivity to Networks and the Interne 35. Of the instructional classrooms in your school, approximately ways, as of June 30, 2000? (Answer each item below)		y are con 1-25%	nected in t 26-50%	he follov 51-75%	wing 76-100
Linked to a local area network (LAN) (i.e., within your school)	•	0	O	O	0
Linked to a wide area network (WAN) (i.e., connections outside your school)	O	O	O	0	0
Connected to the Internet	0	0	•	O	0

36.	What type of connection does your school use when connecting to the Internet? (Answer ea	ach item	n below)
		YES	NO
	Dedicated line		
	56kb	0	O
	T1/DS1	0	0
	Fractionalized T1	0	O
	T3/DS3	0	0
	Fractionalized T3	0	O
	Dial-up connection	0	0
	ISDN	0	•
	Wireless connection	0	•
	Cable modem	O	•
	Other. Please specify:	0	•
38.	support communication by staff, students or parents (e.g., this includes services such as SCHOOLCRUISER.COM, MYSCHOOLONLINE.COM, POWERSCHOOL.COM, NSCHOOL.COM, GOTSCHOOL.COM, SCHOOLCITY.COM, LEARNINGBAYS.COM, or SCHOOLONE.COM)? O Yes Does your school use an Internet education "portal" to assist teachers, students, or parents their ability to find relevant resources on the Internet? O Yes		easing
Se	ection VI. Technical Support for Educational Technology		
39.	Who has <u>primary</u> responsibility for supporting educational technology in your school? (Che	eck one))
	 Full-time, paid technology director/coordinator Part-time, paid technology director/coordinator District staff (including district-provided help desk) Teacher or other staff as part of formal responsibilities Volunteers (including teachers, other school staff, and community members) Consultant/outside contractor No one Other. Please specify: 		

40. What is the <u>primary</u> means for meeting the need for each type of educational technology technical support listed below? (Answer each item below)

		PRIMARY SOURCE OF TECHNICAL SUPPORT (SELECT ONE):						
	THIS TYPE OF SUPPORT IS NOT PROVIDED	Full-time, paid technology director/ coordinator	Part-time, paid technology director/ coordinator	District staff (including district- provided help desk)	Teacher or other staff as part of formal responsibil- ities	Volunteers (including teachers, other school staff, and community members)	Consultant/ outside contractor	Other
Installing equipment and networks	•	O	O	O	O	•	O	•
Troubleshooting and maintaining equipment and networks	O	O	O	O	0	O	O	0
Installing operating systems and software	•	•	•	•	0	•	•	•
Troubleshooting and maintaining operating systems and software	O	O	O	0	0	O	O	•
Helping teachers to integrate computer activities with curriculum (e.g., help in preparing lesson plans)	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
Selecting and acquiring computer-related hardware, software and support materials for schools	•	O	O	O	O	O	O	O
Other. Please specify:	O	•	•	O	O	O	O	•

41. How well is your school able to meet its needs for technical support? (Answer each item below)

	NOT VERY WELL	FAIRLY WELL	EXTREMELY WELL
Overall technical support needs	O	0	O
Installing equipment and networks	O	O	O
Troubleshooting and maintaining equipment and networks	O	O	O
Installing operating systems and software	O	O	O
Troubleshooting and maintaining operating systems and software	O	O	O
Helping teachers to integrate computer activities with curriculum (e.g., help in preparing lesson plans)	0	0	O
Selecting and acquiring computer-related hardware, software and support materials for schools	•	O	O
Other. Please specify:	O	0	0

Section VII. Technology and the Learning Environment 5. Previously we asked you about your school's overall goals for the use of want to know the extent to which your school is focusing on the various ocomputers. (Answer each item below)			
Our school emphasized students' use of educational technology for	NOT AT ALL	SOMEWHAT	A GREAT DEAL
obtaining information related to course content (e.g., doing research for a project)	•	0	0
practicing and mastering skills	O	•	0
presenting information to an audience	O	•	0
analyzing information and solving problems	O	•	0
working collaboratively with other students	•	•	0
producing multimedia or video reports/projects	O	•	0
expressing themselves in writing	O	•	0
communicating electronically with other people	O	•	0
improving computer skills	O	•	O
Other. Please specify:	O	•	0

42. Is your school librarian/media specialist considered the technical expert or technology coordinator for your

43. How would you rate the ability of your school librarian/media specialist to assist and train students and

44. What is the role of your school librarians/media specialists in the area of educational technology? (Answer

Provide technical assistance or training on using educational technology to teachers

Provide direct instruction to students on using software applications or the Internet

teachers to effectively use educational technology? (Check one)

Help teachers with curriculum development or lesson plans

Set up and/or maintain computer lab or other technology

Create and or maintain school record-keeping system

Assist students with research projects using computers or the Internet

Help teachers find useful websites

Other. Please specify:___

Create and/or maintain school web page

school?

YesNo

each item below)

Very High AbilityHigh AbilityModerate AbilityLow Ability

YES

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NO

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46. To what extent is your school focusing on the following ways that <u>teachers</u> can use educational technology? (Answer each item below)

Educational technology will help teachers to	NOT AT ALL	SOMEWHAT	A GREAT DEAL
record or calculate student grades	0	O	0
assess student performance (i.e., using computer-based instead of paper-and-pencil tests)	O	0	•
access professional development materials	•	•	0
look up information on the Internet	0	0	•
post student work, suggestions for resources, ideas and opinions on the Internet	0	•	•
create multimedia presentations or handouts for students (e.g., use camcorders, digital cameras or scanners to prepare for class)	O	•	O
provide distance learning opportunities for students	0	•	•
participate in collaborative investigations with experts in other places	0	0	•
communicate with parents	•	•	•
communicate with students	0	0	•
use new teaching methods involving computer technology (e.g., online projects, simulations)	O	•	O
develop computer-based activities for student use	0	0	•
exchange e-mail with experts or other classes	•	•	0
Other. Please specify:	O	O	O

47. To what extent are the following <u>strategies</u> used to promote teachers' use of educational technology for classroom instruction? (Answer each item below)

The school promotes <u>teachers'</u> use educational technology for instruction by:	NOT AT ALL	SOMEWHAT	A GREAT DEAL
Providing teachers with educationally-relevant software	O	O	O
Recommending the use of technology during professional development activities for teachers	O	•	•
Including the use of technology in the curriculum (as "good practice" or in model lessons given to teachers)	0	O	0
Providing school-based technical assistance	0	•	0
Requiring educational technology training	0	•	•
Offering optional educational technology training	0	•	•
Providing mentor follow-ups to educational technology training	0	•	•
Providing within-district educational technology trainers	0	•	•
Providing outside-district educational technology trainers	0	•	0
Providing online support	0	O	•
Partnering with institutions of higher education	0	•	•
Offering demonstrations	O	•	0
Other. Please specify:	0	O	0

learning (e.g., radio, broadcast TV, cable TV, etc.)?			
YesNo (Go to Q.51)			
49. If yes, what percentage of students in your school			
			cent of
		Stu	idents
Take entire courses utilizing distance learning (such as Virtual High School or APEX course	s)		
Utilize course modules and projects such as Jason or GLOBE.			
50. Which of the following provide the distance learning <u>for students</u> described above? below)	(Ansv	wer each	ı item
	YES	NO	
My school district	0	O	
Another school within the district	0	O	
Another school district	O	O	
Regional education center	0	0	
Our state department of education	O	O	
Another state's department of education	0	0	
An institution of higher education	0	0	
A museum or library	0	0	
An association (e.g., community group, PTO)	0	0	
A private company or organization	0	0	
Other. Please specify:	0	0	
 51. Does your school have technology proficiency requirements or standards for student required by the state or district? O Yes O No (Go to Q. 53) 52. How do you determine whether students have met your school's technology standards below) 			
	YES	NO	
We do not assess achievement of technology standards	O	O	
Satisfactory completion of specified courses	O	O	
Standardized test	O	O	
Student performance test	O	O	
Student portfolio	O	O	
Other. Please specify:	O	O	

48. Can your school's students take courses on-line using the Internet or participate in any form of distance

53. Has the use of educational technology in your school had positive effects on students? Please indicate your agreement or disagreement with each statement below. (Answer each item below)

	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DISAGREE	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE	DON'T KNOW OR NOT APPLICABLE
Students have access to computers or the Internet that they would not have at home	O	0	O	O	O
Students have immediate access to up-to-date information from a variety of sources	O	0	O	0	O
Student learning is more relevant since it relates concepts to real world problems	O	O	O	O	O
Students engage in more high-level problem solving	0	O	0	O	0
Students have increased their technology skills	•	O	O	O	O
The school has developed more interdisciplinary curricula for teaching core subjects.	O	0	O	0	O
Students have developed better communication skills	•	O	O	O	O
Student behavior and/or attendance has improved	•	0	0	0	O
The dropout rate has declined	•	O	O	0	O
Students work on their own with less direct supervision from the teacher	O	0	O	0	O
Students are working more collaboratively with peers	•	O	O	0	O
Students are more motivated	•	O	O	O	O
Students perform better on state- or district assessments	•	O	O	O	O
Other. Please specify:	•	0	0	O	O

54. Has the use of educational technology in your school had positive effects on teachers? Please indicate your agreement or disagreement with each statement. (Answer each item below)

	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DISAGREE	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE	DON'T KNOW
Teachers' morale has improved	0	•	O	O	O
The ability of teachers to work in teams has improved	0	•	O	O	O
The ability/willingness of teachers to share ideas and skills with others has improved	O	O	O	0	O
The efficiency or effectiveness of school management has improved	O	O	O	0	O
Relationships with parents and the community has improved	O	O	O	0	O
The overall quality of the instruction has improved	0	0	•	0	O
Teacher subject-matter knowledge has increased	0	•	O	O	O
Teacher workload has decreased	•	0	0	•	O

55. Has the use of educational technology had negative effects on your school? Please indicate the extent to which you agree with each statement about your school. (Answer each item below)

	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DISAGREE	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE	DON'T KNOW
The gap between 'gifted' and other students is widening	O	0	O	O	•
Students confuse quality of presentation with quality of content	O	0	O	O	•
Students are able to hide their lack of knowledge in a subject with the aid of educational technology	0	•	Q	O	•
Students confuse finding information about a topic on the Internet with understanding of that topic	0	0	•	0	•
It is difficult for ESL and LEP students to find appropriate Internet sites	O	•	O	O	•
Students only want to focus on the area of a project that involves the Internet and computers	O	0	Q	O	•
Students who do not have computers at home are not performing as well in school	O	•	O	O	•
Educational technology interferes with the student/teacher relationship	0	O	•	0	•
Computers are hard to figure out how to use	0	0	•	•	•
It's difficult for teachers to integrate computer activities into most of their regular lesson plans	0	0	O	O	•
It's difficult to monitor activities on the Internet	•	O	•	•	O
We become too dependent on it, then when it breaks down, we're lost.	O	0	Q	O	•

Section VIII. Teachers and Professional Development

56. Please estimate how many teachers at your school have participated in some form of technology-related professional development from July 1999-June 2000. (Answer each item below)

Type of teacher	NONE OR ALMOST NONE	SOME	MOST	ALL OR ALMOST ALL
Self-contained classroom teacher who teaches multiple subjects	0	O	0	O
Math teachers	0	0	0	0
Language arts teachers	0	•	•	•
Science teachers	0	0	0	O
Social studies teachers	0	•	•	•
School librarians/media specialists	0	0	0	•
Other, please specify	O	O	0	O

We are interested in learning about the impact of both formal and informal forms of professional development activities on teachers. "Formal" means the activity was organized, scheduled, and teachers committed to participation for a specific time period. "Informal" means the activity was not led or planned by someone or some group, not scheduled in advance, and teachers did not need to commit to participation for a specific time.

57. In your experience, how significant a role have the following forms of technology-related professional development played in preparing teachers to use educational technology? (Answer each item below)

How significant a role have the following played in preparing teachers to use educational technology?	NOT SIGNIFICANT	SOMEWHAT SIGNIFICANT	VERY SIGNIFICANT
Formal			
Workshops or institutes	•	•	0
Conferences	•	•	0
Courses for college credit	•	O	O
On-line course participation	•	•	O
Committees focusing on technology and curriculum	0	O	O
Immersion or internship activities	•	O	O
Coaching or mentoring arrangements designed to provide one-on-one technology-related instruction	0	0	0
Courses offered at a teacher resource center	•	O	O
Teacher study groups that meet regularly	•	0	O
Informal			
Teacher collaboratives or networks	0	O	O
Individual learning in which teachers read journals or other professional publications, browse the Internet, etc.	•	•	•
Going to the U.S. Dept. of Education's web site to get information/ materials	0	0	0
Participating in on-line networks or chat-rooms	•	•	O
Informally working with peers, family, friends and on skills related to technology in teaching	0	0	0
Visiting a teacher resource center which is staffed by lead or resource teachers and provides professional development materials/instruction	O	O	•
Other forms of professional development related to the use of technology in teaching. Please specify:	0	0	0

58. In considering all the forms of professional development available to teachers from July 1999-June 2000, how much technology-related professional development was supplied by the following? (Answer each item below)

How much professional development was provided by	NONE AT ALL	SOME	A GREAT DEAL
The technology coordinator (formally assigned)	0	O	O
Librarian/media specialist	0	O	0
District office technology coordination staff	O	O	•
Expert teachers or school administrators from within your school	O	O	0
Expert teachers or school administrators from another school or district	O	O	•
Faculty or staff from institutions of higher education	O	O	•
Business partners	O	O	•
Independent consultants	0	O	0
For-profit vendors	O	O	•
State, regional, or county technical assistance or resource center	O	O	0
Representatives from a volunteer organization	O	O	•
An on-line professional development community or other on-line resource	0	O	•
Students	O	O	O
Other. Please specify:	0	0	O

59. Does your school or district provide any of the following incentives to encourage teachers to participate in technology-related professional development? (Answer each item below)

	YES	NO
Release time from classes and/or other responsibilities	0	0
Scheduled time in contract for professional development	O	O
Stipends	O	O
Full or partial reimbursement of college tuition	O	O
Reimbursement for conference or workshop fees, books, travel, etc.	O	O
Credits toward recertification	0	O
Salary increments or pay increases	O	O
Recognition or higher ratings on teacher evaluations	O	O
Additional resources for the teacher's classroom (e.g., more computers)	O	O
Connection to the Internet from home through the school's network	O	O
Hardware for their own use (i.e., a laptop computer)	O	O
Software for their own use (i.e., a copy of Microsoft Office)	0	O
Schedule changes so teachers have time to learn and plan collaboratively	O	O
None of the above	O	O
Other. Please specify:	0	0

60.	In thinking about the technology-related professional development opportunities available to staff at your
	school, would you say that there is (Answer each item below)

	YES	NO
enough technology-related professional development available (meaning the activities are offered) to meet the teachers' needs?	O	•
enough technology-related professional development that is easily accessible (meaning that most teachers would not find the activity too inconvenient or costly to participate) to teachers to meet their needs?	0	•

61. At the current time, what are the technology-related professional development needs of the teachers at your school? (Answer each item below)

Teachers at this school need technology-related professional development in:	NO TEACHERS NEED THIS	SOME TEACHERS NEED THIS	MOST TEACHERS NEED THIS
Basic computer skills	•	•	O
Use of various software application packages (e.g., Power Point, spreadsheets, PhotoShop, etc.)	0	•	O
How to integrate technology into the curriculum	•	•	O
Effective use of the Internet	O	O	O
Ethical use of the Internet	•	O	0
Creating lesson plans that incorporate technology and the Internet	O	O	O
How to take advantage of professional development opportunities at a distance (via the Internet or other distance learning strategy)	•	•	O
How to use technology to help students improve basic academic skills	•	0	O
New ways to assess student work using technology	•	•	O
Using software or technology activities that have already been developed	O	O	O
Seeing demonstrations of technology-incorporated classroom activities	0	O	0
Learning about technology activities that require only 1 computer	O	O	O
Learning about technology activities that require a few computers	0	O	0
How to manage classroom activities that integrate technology	0	O	0
How to select good software	0	O	0
How to write grant applications for more technology resources	0	0	0
Other. Please specify:	•	O	0

62.	To meet the goals for instructional use of educational technology at your school, how much technology-
	related professional development would you estimate the typical teacher at your school would need to
	participate in over the next year? (Check one)

\mathbf{O}	1-9 hours
0	10-29 hours
0	30-59 hours
\mathbf{O}	More than 60 hours

Section IX. Respondent Background and Final Thoughts

63.	O P O A O S O D O C	the following most closely describes your job title? (Check one) rincipal assistant Principal achool Technology Coordinator/Teacher Department Head Classroom Teacher Professional Development Specialist Other. Please specify:
64.	How long	have you been in your current (or similar) position? (Check one)
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65.	How long	have you been employed within your current district? (Check one)
	O 1-O 4-O 7-	ess than one year -3 years -6 years -9 years O years or more
66.		ld you describe your knowledge about the acquisition and use of educational technology in your as explored in this survey? (Check one)
	ON	Yery little knowledge Moderate amount of knowledge In great deal of knowledge

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67. Do you personally use a computer for your work?

THANK YOU!

If you have any questions about this survey, please contact Kristen Olson at kolson@ui.urban.org or 1-866-518-3874.

All study participants will be notified of the availability of the final report once it is completed.

Thank you very much for your time.